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**GOHSEP Closely Monitoring River Levels Across the State**

**Baton Rouge (December 28, 2015)** – The Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) is closely monitoring levels along the Red River and Mississippi River. GOHSEP today hosted two conference calls with state and local leaders from parishes that border the waterways. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the National Weather Service (NWS) River Forecast Center provided updates on the call about the current conditions. The agencies indicated some flood control actions may be necessary during the next few weeks.

GOHSEP has activated its Crisis Action Team to monitor any requests for state assistance from parishes potentially impacted by the river levels. GOHSEP's Regional Coordinators have been in contact with the parishes to help facilitate any safety or protection measures.

"River flooding is an emergency that requires constant monitoring and adjustment as the situation evolves," said GOHSEP Director Kevin Davis. "Our team started to closely monitor the river levels last week. More conference calls and other communication will continue until the flood threat ends. GOHSEP stands ready to assist our local partners in any way necessary to get through this event. We also urge the public to Get A Game Plan if your home or business could be impacted."

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